Thanks for the support!!
Here's chapter 3

...the story about "competitive quiz" clubs!!

ナナマル×サンバツ

QUESTION 3

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君の知らない
you don't know

魅惑の領域。
the source of my charm.

Q3

World of 0.1 Seconds

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SHOOT...
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU AT TEN
I'M ACTUALLY FIRST
WOULDN'T IT SEEM AS IF I'M VERY EXCITED FOR THIS?
中国の歴史書『漢書』に記された
故事を由来とすることわざ。
英語では「seeing is believing」
QUIZ COMPETITION ...HUH
KOSHI-YAMA!

THANK GOODNESS!
YOU CAME AFTER ALL
SINCE I FORCED YOU INTO THIS,
I WAS ACTUALLY WORRIED THAT YOU WOULDN'T COME
WOW...
THOUGH I WISH THAT MORE PEOPLE WOULD COME ALONG...
HUH!?
NORMAL CLO-THES!?
HUH? WELL, NO ONE SAID THAT YOU HAD TO WEAR YOUR UNIFORM
I'M SURE THAT I'M THE ONLY ONE WEARING A UNIFORM...

WHAT IF THE TWO OF US ARE LEFT ALONE...
WHAT SHOULD I DO IN SITUATIONS LIKE...
ALONE WITH A GIRL OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL!?
THERE'S STILL TWENTY MINUTES...
WHAT SHOULD I TALK A--...
THEN LET'S HAVE A QUIZ!
HUH!?
"This island under French rule is known as the birthplace of Napoleon..."
CORSICA?
It's here
THE SO-CALLED POP QUIZ!!
HA... HAHAH
Hmm
You're good at history, huh
THEN HOW ABOUT THIS?
"The largest pyramid in Giza, Egypt is the grave of which pharoh?"
KHUFU
"Ryouan-ji at Kyoto is known for this style of Japanese gardens, which uses rocks and sand to represent mountains and rivers..."
KARE-SANSUI!
UMM

THIS
"What is the exposed skin between the miniskirt and the stocking called by the people who frequent Akiba?"
PEOPLE WHO FREQUENT AKIHABARA? YOU MEAN OTAKU?
THERE'S A NAME FOR THAT KIND OF PLACE...!?

ZET・TAI・RYOU・IKI
Hehe
JUST AS I FIGURED
YOU'RE THE BOOKISH KIND, BUT NOT A GEEK
WH... WHAT'S THE ANSWER?
!?
YOU'VE HEARD OF "CHIRARISM", RIGHT?
IT'S A "MOE FACTOR" THAT ABSOLUTELY WORKS ON ONE SECTOR OF THE POPULATION
I...
I HAD NO IDEA ...!!
ZETTAI... RYOU...
IT ISN'T IN THERE

BUT YOU HAD FUN USING YOUR KNOWLEDGE ON THE QUIZ AND ANSWERING, RIGHT?
I PLAYED LOTS OF QUIZZES WITH MY FRIENDS DURING MIDDLE SCHOOL
FRIENDS?
TH... THAT WAS A QUICK SEGUE...
WITH YOUR VORACIOUS APPETITE FOR KNOWLEDGE, YOU'RE REALLY SUITED FOR QUIZZES!
HEHE

FRIENDS WITH THE SAME HOBBY... HUH
↑ fantasy

YE...AH
I ONLY REALIZED THIS WHEN I ARRIVED AT HIGH SCHOOL...
...THAT I WANTED TO PARTICIPATE IN MORE QUIZZES

MAYBE I SHOULD SIGN UP FOR THE LITERATURE CLUB...
WAIT!
DON'T MAKE YOUR DECISION YET AT LEAST WAIT UNTIL TODAY'S COMPETITION IS OVER...!
EH?
S... SURE ...
I DIDN'T MEAN THAT I REALLY WANTED TO JOIN THE LITERATURE CLUB OR ANYTHING...
I'LL DO MY BEST TODAY SO KEEP YOUR EYE ON ME!
AH... YOU'RE PARTICIPATING TOO, FUKAMI?

DAMN--- I'M TOO LATE
WHY DID YOU HAVE TO COME HERE SO EARLY!?
NIKU
AH
GOOD MORNING, INOUE
Ah
KOSHIYAMA!
はうあっ
Ah, here's one such person...
ヘ○ナー
It's imperfect, Fukami...
THE GOLDEN RATIO OF SKIRT LENGTH TO ZETTAI RYOUIKI TO STOCKINGS IS 4 : 1 : 2.4
4
1
2.4

Sekigawata Middle and High School
I guess
THE LOW MEMBERSHIP IS PROBABLY WHAT'S HOLDING THIS CLUB BACK...
UMMMM~ WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER MEMBERS...
THIS IS EVERYONE
THIS CLUB HAS JUST STARTED AFTER ALL
ONLY 4...
BY THE WAY, WHY IS THERE ONLY TWO PEOPLE HERE?
MY PRESENTATION WAS PERFECT...!
Ah
GOOD MORNING, PRESIDENT SASAJIMA
SORRY, I TRIED TO GET MORE FRESHMEN TO JOIN, BUT...
WELL, IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT
HMM...
OH, THERE'S THREE

TODAY IS THE QUIZ BOWL THAT THE SEKIGAWATA HIGH QUIZ GROUP'S 11TH AND 12TH GRADERS PLANNED FOR NEW MEMBERS
HOWEVER, NOT ALL OF YOU WILL BE AT THE SAME STARTING LINE
THERE ARE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE WHO ALREADY HAD EXPERIENCE WITH QUIZZES BEFORE JOINING THEIR CLUBS
SO IF YOU END UP NOT BEING ABLE TO DO ANYTHING, DON'T GET DEPRESSED
UMMM... DIDN'T WE JUST COME HERE TO WATCH?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
ALL OF YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN THIS
!!?
SORRY !!
LISTEN UP
EVERYONE IN HERE
IS BOTH A COMRADE AND A RIVAL
LOOK CAREFULLY
AT WHAT EVERYONE DOES TODAY

ガヤ…
THANK GOODNESS, THERE'S PEOPLE HERE IN UNIFORM AS WELL
they're all boys
HOW SHOULD I SAY THIS, PREZ SASAJIMA...

"SASA-JIMA" THE ONE FROM KAIJOU?
SASAJIMA!
ALL OF OUR RIVALS ARE KNOCKED OUT
THANKS FOR LETTING US COME TODAY
CONGRATS FOR GETTING MEMBERS FOR YOUR OWN QUIZ CLUB!
HERE ARE YOUR ENTRY NUMBERS
ペカ
What a positive school
WOW--- I'M SO JEALOUS THAT YOU HAVE A GIRL MEMBER!
That's so great
WELL, IT IS A COED SCHOOL
IN THE WORLD OF QUIZZES,
GENDER DOESN'T MATTER
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THERE AREN'T MANY GIRLS ONLY BECAUSE MOST SCHOOLS WITH QUIZ CLUBS ARE BOYS' SCHOOLS
OUR QUIZ CLUB IS 100% FEMALE, YOU KNOW
ASAGAOKA GIRLS' HIGH...
A QUIZ CLUB FROM A GIRLS' SCHOOL...
THEY AREN'T SERIOUS AT ALL, HUH...
stupid boys...
ESPE-CIALLY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
UNIFORMS FROM GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOLS ARE THE BEST AFTER ALL
what a great smell...

...YUKI-CCHI
MARI-RIN...
YUKICHI = 10K YEN NOTE
YUKICHI?
MARI-LYN!?

MARI-RIN...
HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE GRADUATION!
THAT ASAGAOKA UNIFORM FITS YOU VERY MUCH
SO BUZOU HIGH HAS A QUIZ CLUB TOO... THANK GOODNESS

SO THIS IS HER FRIEND FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL...
I'M SO HAPPY THAT I CAN COMPETE WITH YUKI-CCHI AGAIN!
Y... YEA, GOOD LUCK

Asagaoka Girls' High School
(Private)
12th Grade
President
Chiaki Sonohara
WE HAVE TWO NEW TENTH GRADERS AND ONE NEW ELEVENTH GRADER
GO EASY ON US TODAY
Miyaura High School
(Public; Saitama Prefecture)
12th Grade
President
Yousuke Ashiya
WE HAVE FIVE NEW TENTH GRADERS
I'M HAPPY THAT BUZOU HIGH FROM THE NEIGHBORING TOWN COULD MAKE IT TODAY
AND EVEN SASAJIMA'S HERE
and even a girl!
Sekigawata High School
(Private)
12th Grade
President
Takumi Niina
WE HAVE TWO SEVENTH-GRADERS AND THREE TENTH-GRADERS
EVEN THOUGH WE SAID THAT IT'S A "QUIZ BOWL", IT'S MORE OF A JOINT PRACTICE AMONG THE FOUR SCHOOLS AROUND HERE
WELL, LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER MORE!
Buzou High School
(Public; Saitama Prefecture)
11th Grade
President
Gakuto Sasajima
WE'RE JUST A STUDY GROUP RIGHT NOW, BUT WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU
WE HAVE THREE TENTH-GRADERS

NICE TO MEET YOU
IT BEGINS...!
Then---

Since there are 16 contestants, we'll have two groups of eight each for the first round
Let's move on to the program for today
Interschoo
Round 1 First
Correct - +1
Round 2 Buzz-In Board Quiz (6-
Buzzed in: Correct - +3
nswer only: Correct - +1
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ualified on 2 incorrect
to five correct answers
The groups will be determined by the entry numbers, so please come up to a buzzer when your number is called
All three rounds are buzzer quizzes
Number 5
Number 7
HERE
GO FOR IT, FUKAMI!
Number 16
HERE
Number 13
YUKI-CCHI IS IN THE FIRST GROUP...

The first three to win from each group will go on to round 2
The rule for round 1 is just "first to five", without any penalties
A NO-PENALTY ROUND IS A PERFECT WAY TO WARM UP
THEN THAT MEANS THE FIRST TO GET FIVE QUESTIONS RIGHT WINS, HUH
FUKAMI IN ACTION AGAIN...
I CAN GET TO SEE
Asagaoka
Koudzuki
Fukami
Hamada
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YES
YES
YES
Does everyone already have experience with "buzz-in quizzes" with their respective clubs?
---Then let's proceed to the "Button Check"
BUTTON CHECK?

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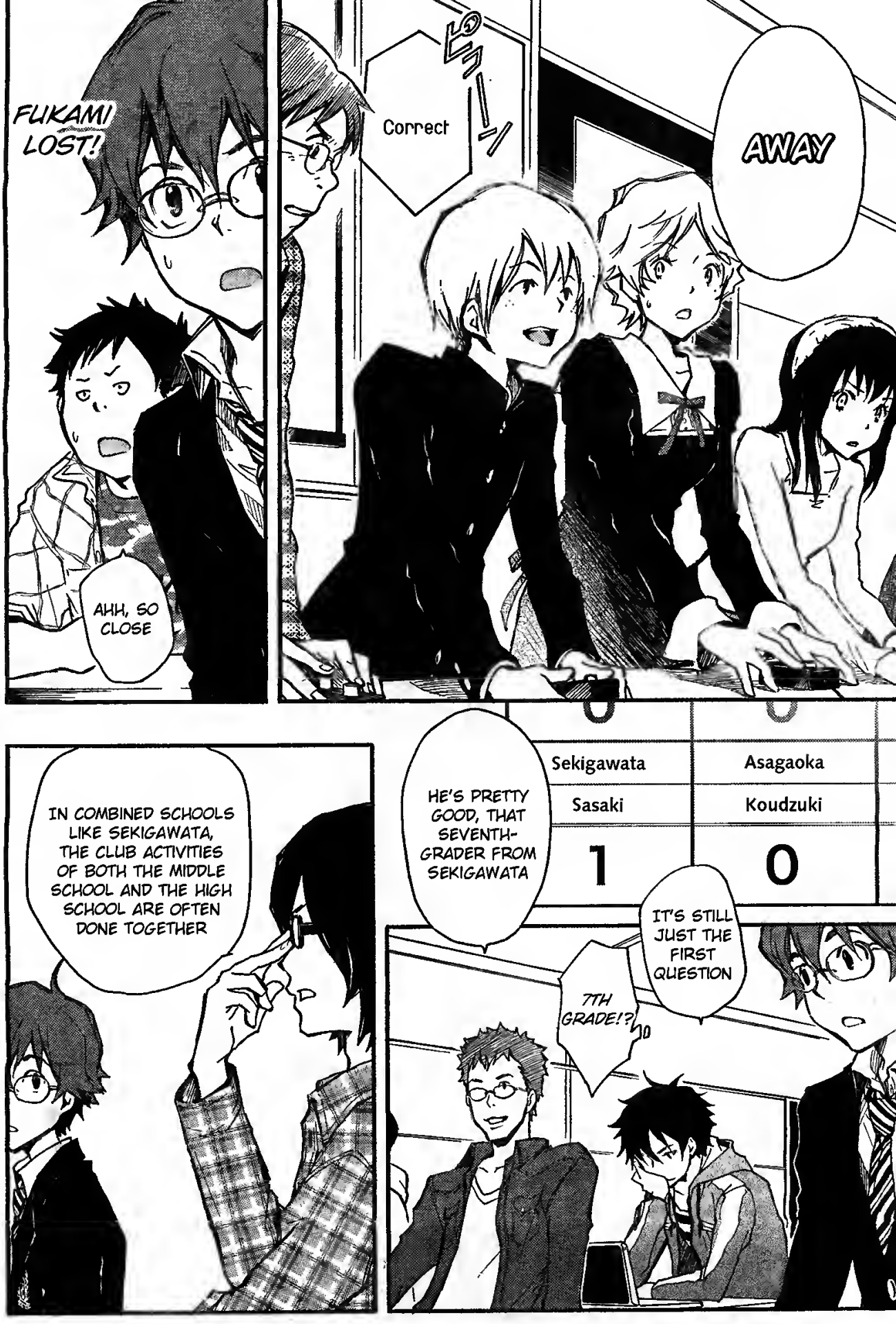
I...I'LL HAVE TO DO THAT TOO...
ドキドキ
THE BUTTON CHECK IS AN IRREPLACEABLE RITUAL THAT MAKES SURE THAT THE MACHINE IS WORKING CORRECTLY AND THAT THE PLAYER IS COMFORTABLE WITH PRESSING IT
YOU CAN ALSO SAY THAT IT SIGNIFIES THE START OF THE MATCH
---Here's the question

Sekigawata
Sasaki
Koudzuki
"In sports like soccer, matches that take place at the home base are called 'home-/
MULTIPLE PEOPLE PRESSED IT AT THE SAME TIME...!?
BUT THE ONE WHOSE BUZZER IS LIT IS...


FUKAMI LOST!
AHH, SO CLOSE
ピンポーン
Correct
AWAY
Sekigawata
Asagaoka
Sasaki
Koudzuki
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HE'S PRETTY GOOD, THAT SEVENTH-GRADER FROM SEKIGAWATA
7TH GRADE!?
IT'S STILL JUST THE FIRST QUESTION
IN COMBINED SCHOOLS LIKE SEKIGAWATA, THE CLUB ACTIVITIES OF BOTH THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE HIGH SCHOOL ARE OFTEN DONE TOGETHER

" 'The flowers withered / Their color faded away-/
OF COURSE, THOSE WHO START EARLY HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF DEVELOPING INTO BETTER PLAYERS THAN QUIZ PLAYERS WHO START IN HIGH SCHOOL
ONO NO KO-MACHI
Cor-rect
A TENTH OF A SECOND ...
FUKAMI PRESSED IT TOO, BUT...
THERE'S A TECHNIQUE FOR PRESSING JUST A BIT FASTER--- A FEW HUNDREDTHS OF A SECOND FASTER
WHAT IS IT?
IT'S CALLED "PUSHING IN"
"BUZZING IN" IS A RACE WITH A MARGIN OF LESS THAN A TENTH OF A SECOND
SO THAT'S WHAT SHE MEANT WHEN SHE SAID "A MARGIN OF LESS THAN A TENTH OF A SECOND"

IN THE BUZZER, THERE'S A BIT OF DISTANCE BETWEEN THE BUTTON AND ELECTRONIC COMPONENT THAT MAKES THE BUZZER GO OFF THAT YOU CAN "PLAY" WITH
THE TECHNIQUE OF PUSHING THE BUTTON IN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE AND YET KEEPING THE BUTTON FROM ACTUALLY GOING OFF
IS CALLED "PUSHING IN"
WOAH
IF IT WERE ME, I'D DEFINITELY PRESS IT BY ACCIDENT...
ME TOO
"Meaning 'Hidden in the chest' in French-/
I'LL DO MY BEST TODAY
SO KEEP YOUR EYE ON ME!
FUKAMI
...

CACHE COEUR!
IT'S ON!
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Correct
"In the anime 'The Melancholy of Haruhi Suzumiya', what role does Haruhi-/
FROM THEN, THE ONE
"Lead, Second, Vice, and Skip-/
WHO WON FIVE POINTS IN A SPLIT SECOND WAS...
SKEW
"In solid geometry, two lines that are not on the same plane-/

...
First to Five
Sekigawata
Namiki
Miyauchi
Tsukai
0
Sekigawata
Sasaki
Asagaoka
Koudzuki
1
OOH
5
Mr. Sasaki from Sekigawata Middle School is the first to win five points
EVEN THOUGH HE'S SMALLER THAN ME
THAT MIDDLE SCHOOLER IS GREAT...
PRESIDENT SONOHARA...
THERE'S NO PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS, SO PRESS MORE OFTEN!
KOUDZUKI
IT'S OKAY...
THESE ARE SHORT QUESTIONS, JUST LISTEN CAREFULLY
---Here's the question
AND CATCH THE FIRST "POINT"...!

"'Oh, Susanna', 'Camp-town-/
FOSTER!
SO FAST!
"Inflation in bad economic times-/
DUEL
The correct answer is a heat wave
THAT'S IT!
Round 1
First to five
Miyaura
Mukai
Sekigawata
Namiki
Sekigawata
Taguchi
1
0
0
Sekigawata
Sasaki
Asagaoka
Koudzuki
Buzou
Fukami
5
2
3
STAGFLA-TION
WE AREN'T LOSING...!
THIS IS... A "BUZZ-IN" QUIZ...

First to Five Group
Miyaura
Mukai
Sekigawata
Namiki
Taguchi
1
0
1
Sekigawata
Sasaki
Asagaoka
Koudzuki
Buzou
Fukami
3
5
Correct
Miyaura
Yamada
CAN I...
DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...!?
Ms. Fukami from Buzou High has reached five points
I'LL BE WAITING IN ROUND TWO
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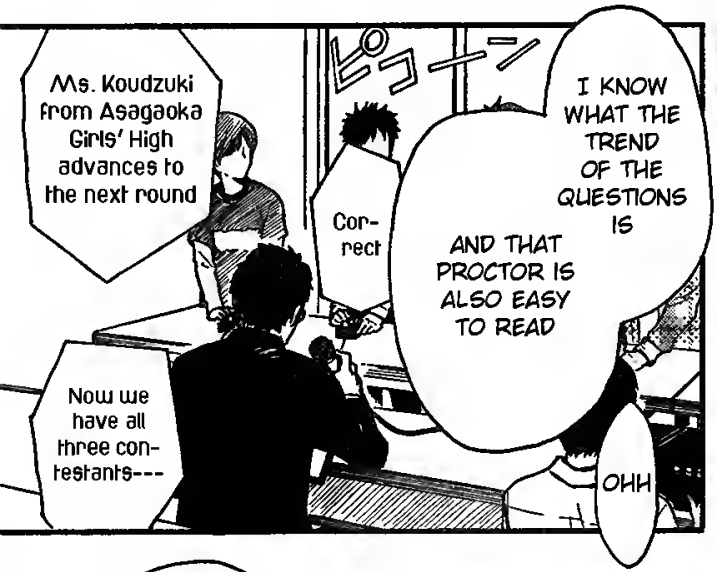
YUKI-CCHI

CONGRATS ON BEING SECOND, FUKAMI!
TH... THAT WAS AMAZING...!
THANKS
DO YOU BEST, YOU TWO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I KNOW WHAT THE TREND OF THE QUESTIONS IS
AND THAT PROCTOR IS ALSO EASY TO READ
OHH
Cor-rect
Ms. Koudzuki from Asagaoka Girls' High advances to the next round
Now we have all three con-testants---

THEY HAVE NO IDEA HOW BORING THEY ARE

hmm
JUST AS I THOUGHT. THOSE WHO HAD EVEN A BIT OF EXPERIENCE ARE MUCH BETTER THAN THOSE WHO DIDN'T
The correct answer is---
Our freshmen are hopeless
CAN I WITHDRAW?
NOOO PE

IF IT WERE ME,
I CAN DEFINITELY PRESS THE BUZZER EARLIER
THAT KIND OF SPEED IS NOTHING TO BE SURPRISED ABOUT
WHA...
WHAT'S WITH THIS GUY!?
YOU... WHICH MIDDLE SCHOOL ARE YOU FROM?
Ah
I'M A TENTH GRADER FROM MIYAURA

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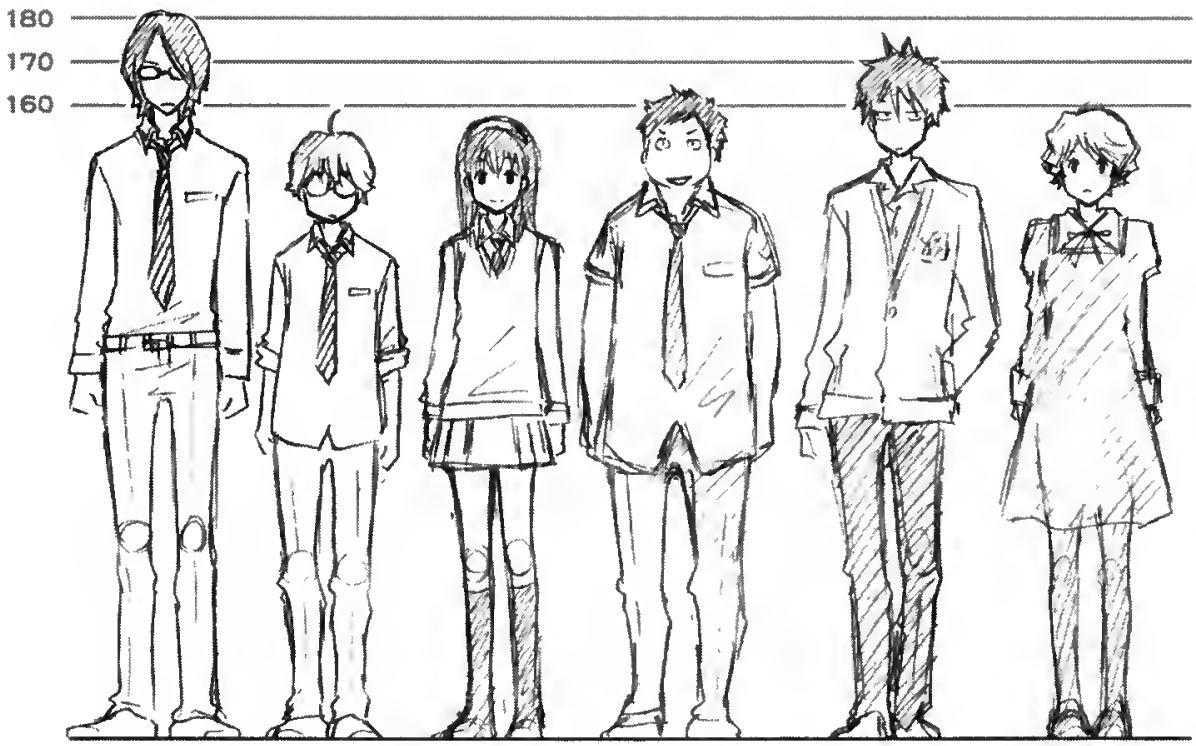
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